

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended):       A navigation terminal comprising:

    a positioning unit for positioning a current location of a mobile unit;

    a setting unit for setting up a place of departure and a place of destination;

    a communication unit for transmitting and receiving information to and from an information center;

    a temporary storage unit for storing the drive route information received by the communication unit; and

    a drive guide unit for guiding the driving on the basis of the current location positioned by the positioning unit and the drive route information stored in the temporary storage unit, wherein

        when the communication unit attempts to receive the information of a total drive route connecting the place of destination and the place of departure that are set up by the setting unit, but ~~does~~ can not receive all of the information of ~~total~~ the drive route, and the communication unit receives part of the information of ~~a~~ the drive route which meets a predetermined requirement, ~~and which is a part of the total drive route~~ the drive guide unit starts guiding on the basis of the received information ~~of the drive route which is the part of the total drive route~~ .

2. (currently amended):       The navigation terminal according to claim 1, wherein  
the communication unit transmits a request to acquire ~~the~~ information of a drive route  
connecting from an end of the received a drive route indicated by the received information to the  
place of destination from the information center, while the drive guide unit is guiding on the  
basis of the received information ~~of the received drive route which is the part of the total drive~~  
~~route~~ .

3. (currently amended):       A navigation system comprising:  
a navigation terminal including a positioning unit for positioning a current location of a  
mobile unit, a setting unit for setting up a place of departure and a place of destination, a  
communication unit for transmitting and receiving information to and from an information  
center, a temporary storage unit for storing the drive route information received by the  
communication unit, and a drive guide unit for guiding the driving on the basis of the current  
location positioned by the positioning unit and the drive route information stored in the  
temporary storage unit;

an information center having a center communication unit for receiving the information  
indicating the place of departure and the place of destination transmitted by the communication  
unit; and

a drive route calculation part for calculating the drive route on the basis of the  
information indicating the place of departure and the place of destination received by the center  
communication unit, wherein

when the communication unit attempts to receive ~~the~~ information of a ~~total~~ drive route connecting the place of destination and the place of departure that are set up by the setting unit, but ~~does~~ can not receive all of the information of ~~total~~ the drive route, and the communication unit receives part of the information of ~~a~~ the drive route which meets a predetermined requirement ~~and which is a part of the total drive route~~, the drive guide unit starts guiding on the basis of the received information ~~of the drive route which is the part of the total drive route~~.

4. (currently amended): A computer program making a computer function as a navigation terminal comprising:

a positioning unit for positioning a current location of a mobile unit;  
a setting unit for setting up a place of departure and a place of destination;  
a communication unit for transmitting and receiving information to and from an information center;

a temporary storage unit for storing the drive route information received by the communication unit; and a

drive guide unit for guiding the driving on the basis of the current location positioned by the positioning unit and the drive route information stored in the temporary storage unit, wherein

when the communication unit attempts to receive ~~the~~ information of a ~~total~~ drive route connecting the place of destination and the place of departure that are set up by the setting unit, but ~~does~~ can not receive all of the information of ~~total~~ the drive route, and the communication unit receives part of the information of ~~a~~ the drive route which meets a predetermined

requirement ~~and which is part of the total drive route~~, the drive guide unit starts guiding on the basis of the received information ~~of the drive route which is the part of the total drive route~~.

5. (currently amended): A computer program making a computer function as a navigation system comprising:

a navigation terminal including a positioning unit for positioning a current location of a mobile unit, a setting unit for setting up a place of departure and a place of destination, a communication unit for transmitting and receiving information to and from an information center, a temporary storage unit for storing the drive route information received by the communication unit, and a drive guide unit for guiding the driving on the basis of the current location positioned by the positioning unit and the drive route information stored in the temporary storage unit;

an information center having a center communication unit for receiving the information indicating the place of departure and the place of destination transmitted by the communication unit; and

a drive route calculation part for calculating the drive route on the basis of the information indicating the place of departure and the place of destination received by the center communication unit, wherein

when the communication unit attempts to receive the information of a ~~total~~ drive route connecting the place of destination and the place of departure that are set up by the setting unit, but ~~does~~ can not receive all of the information of ~~total~~ the drive route, and the communication unit receives part of the information of ~~a the~~ drive route which meets a predetermined

requirement ~~and which is a part of the total drive route~~, the drive guide unit starts guiding on the basis of the received information ~~of the drive route which is the part of the total drive route~~.

6. (currently amended): A drive guide method for use at a navigation terminal, the navigation terminal including a positioning unit for positioning a current location of a mobile unit, a setting unit for setting up a place of departure and a place of destination, a communication unit for transmitting and receiving information to and from an information center, a temporary storage unit for storing the drive route information received by the communication unit; and a drive guide unit for guiding the driving on the basis of the current location positioned by the positioning unit and the drive route information stored in the temporary storage unit, the method comprising:

receiving information from the information center by the communication unit; and  
when the communication unit attempt to receive ~~the~~ information of a ~~total~~ drive route connecting the place of destination and the place of departure that are set up by the setting unit, but ~~does~~ can not receive all of the information of total the drive route, and the communication unit receives part of the information of a the drive route which meets a predetermined requirement ~~and which is a part of the total drive route~~, starting to guide driving by the drive guide unit on the basis of the received information the part of the total drive-route.

7. (currently amended): The navigation terminal according to claim 1, wherein

the part of the information of the drive route which is ~~part of the total drive route and~~ meets the predetermined requirement is information of a drive route near the ~~set~~ place of departure.

8. (currently amended): The navigation terminal according to claim 7, wherein the part of the information of the drive route which is ~~part of the total drive route and~~ meets the predetermined requirement is information of a drive route ~~which includes~~ing at least one branch point near the place of departure.

9. (currently amended): The navigation terminal according to claim 2, wherein the communication unit transmits the request information when the mobile unit nears the end of the ~~received~~ drive route indicated by the received information.